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## **CLAIMS**

1. (Previously Presented) A compound of the formula I

$$R^{1.1}$$
 $R^{1.2}$ 
 $R^{23}$ 
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 $R^{22}$ 
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wherein

Q is  $=C(R^{24})$ -;

X-Y is -CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-, -CH=CH- or -CH<sub>2</sub>-O-;

 $R^1$ ,  $R^{1.1}$  and  $R^{1.2}$  independently from each other are selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halogen, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkyl, halogen-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkyl, cyano, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkoxy or halogen-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkoxy;

R<sup>21</sup>, R<sup>22</sup> and R<sup>23</sup> independently from each other are selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and halogen;

R<sup>24</sup> is hydrogen, halogen or methyl;

 $R^3$  is  $-C(O)N(H)CH_3$  or  $-CH_2CN$ ; and

R<sup>4</sup> is hydrogen;

or an individual isomer or racemic or non-racemic mixture thereof.

- 2. (Cancelled).
- 3. (Original) A compound according to claim 2 wherein -X-Y- is  $-CH_2-O-$ ;  $R^1$ ,  $R^{1.1}$ , and  $R^{1.2}$  independently are selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halogen, methyl,

halogenmethyl, cyano, methoxy, and halogenmethoxy;  $R^{21}$ ,  $R^{22}$ , and  $R^{23}$  are hydrogen; and  $R^3$  is  $-C(O)N(H)CH_3$ .

- 4. (Canceled)
- 5. (Original) A compound of claim 1 wherein X-Y is -CH<sub>2</sub>-O-.
- 6. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein  $R^3$  is  $-C(O)N(H)CH_3$ .
- 7. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein  $R^3$  is  $CH_2CN$ .
- 8. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein X-Y is -CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>- or CH=CH-.
- 9. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein R<sup>21</sup>, R<sup>22</sup>, and R<sup>23</sup> are hydrogen.
- 10. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein  $R^{21}$  and  $R^{23}$  are hydrogen and  $R^{22}$  is fluoro.
- 11. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein Q is =CH-, =CF-, or = $C(CH_3)$ -.
- 12. (Original) A compound according to claim 11 wherein Q is =CH-; X-Y is  $CH_2$ -O-;  $R^{21}$ ,  $R^{22}$ , and  $R^{23}$  are hydrogen; and  $R^3$  is  $-C(O)N(H)CH_3$ .

- 13. (Original) A compound according to claim 12 wherein R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>1.1</sup>, and R<sup>1.2</sup> independently are selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halogen, methyl, halogenmethyl, cyano, methoxy, and halogenmethoxy.
- 14. (Original) A compound according to claim 12 wherein  $R^{1.1}$  and  $R^{1.2}$  are hydrogen and  $R^1$  is selected from fluoro, chloro, halogenmethyl, cyano, methoxy, and halogenmethoxy.
- 15. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>1.1</sup> and R<sup>1.2</sup> independently from each other are selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halogen, methyl, halogenmethyl, cyano, methoxy or halogen-methoxy.
- 16. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>1.1</sup>, and R<sup>1.2</sup> are halogen.
- 17. (Original) A compound according to claim 16 wherein  $R^1$ ,  $R^{1.1}$ , and  $R^{1.2}$  are fluoro.
- 18. (Original) A compound according to claim 17 wherein R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>1.1</sup>, and R<sup>1.2</sup> are 2,4,6-trifluoro; 2,4,5-trifluoro; 2,3,6-trifluoro; 2,3,4-trifluoro; or 3,4,5-trifluoro.
- 19. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein  $R^{1.2}$  is hydrogen and  $R^1$  and  $R^{1.1}$  independently from each other are selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halogen, cyano,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkyl, halogen- $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkyl,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkoxy or halogen- $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkoxy.

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- 20. (Original) A compound according to claim 19 wherein  $R^1$  and  $R^{1.1}$  independently are halogen or  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkyl.
- 21. (Original) A compound according to claim 20 wherein  $R^{1.1}$  is halogen and  $R^1$  is halogen or  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkyl.
- 22. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>1.1</sup>, and R<sup>1.2</sup> are hydrogen.
- 23. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein  $R^{1.1}$  and  $R^{1.2}$  are hydrogen and  $R^1$  is selected from halogen, cyano,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkyl, halogen- $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkyl,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkoxy or halogen- $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkoxy.
- 24. (Original) A compound according to claim 23 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is halogen, methyl, halogenmethyl, cyano, methoxy, and halogenmethoxy.
  - 25. (Original) A compound according to claim 24 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is fluoro.
- 26. (Original) A compound according to claim 25 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is 3-fluoro or 4-fluoro.
  - 27. (Original) A compound according to claim 24 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is chloro.
  - 28. (Original) A compound according to claim 27 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is 3-chloro.

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- 29. (Original) A compound according to claim 24 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is halogenmethyl.
- 30. (Original) A compound according to claim 29 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is 3-trifluoromethyl.
  - 31. (Original) A compound according to claim 24 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is cyano.
  - 32. (Original) A compound according to claim 24 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is methoxy.
- 33. (Original) A compound according to claim 32 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is 2-methoxy, 3-methoxy, or 4-methoxy.
  - 34. (Original) A compound according to claim 24 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is halogenmethoxy.
- 35. (Original) A compound according to claim 34 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is 3-trifluoromethoxy.
- 36. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein the compound has (R)-configuration.
  - 37. (Previously Presented) A compound of the formula I\*

$$R^{24}$$
 $R^{23}$ 
 $R^{24}$ 
 $R^{23}$ 
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 $R^{24}$ 
 $R^{25}$ 
 $R^{25}$ 

wherein

 $R^1 \qquad \text{is halogen-} (C_1\text{-}C_6)\text{-alkyl, cyano, } (C_1\text{-}C_6)\text{-alkoxy or halogen-} (C_1\text{-}C_6)\text{-alkoxy;}$ 

R<sup>21</sup>, R<sup>22</sup>, R<sup>23</sup> and R<sup>24</sup> independently from each other are selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and halogen;

R<sup>3</sup> is -CONHR<sup>5</sup>, -CH<sub>2</sub>CN or -CN;

R<sup>4</sup> is hydrogen;

R<sup>5</sup> is methyl; and

n is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

or an individual isomer, racemic or non-racemic mixture thereof.

- 38. (Original) A compound according to claim 37 wherein R<sup>3</sup> is -C(O)N(H)CH<sub>3</sub>.
- 39. (Original) A compound according to claim 37 wherein R<sup>3</sup> is CH<sub>2</sub>CN and R<sup>4</sup> is hydrogen.
  - 40. (Original) A compound according to claim 37 wherein n is 1 or 2.
- 41. (Original) A compound according to claim 37 wherein  $\mathbb{R}^1$  is halogen or halogen ( $\mathbb{C}_1$ - $\mathbb{C}_6$ )-alkyl.

- 42. (Original) A compound according to claim 41 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is fluoro, chloro, or trifluoromethyl.
- 43. (Original) A compound selected from the group consisting of (RS)-1-[4-(3-fluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide, (RS)-[1-[4-(4-fluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide, (RS)-1-[4-(3-chloro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide, (RS)-[1-[4-(3,4-difluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide, (RS)-[1-[4-(2,6-difluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide, (RS)-5-oxo-1-[4-(2,4,6-trifluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide, (RS)-5-oxo-1-[4-(2,4,5-trifluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide, (RS)-5-oxo-1-[4-(2,3,6-trifluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide, (RS)-5-oxo-1-[4-(2,3,4-trifluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide, and
- (RS)-5-oxo-1-[4-(3,4,5-trifluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide.
- 44. (Original) A compound selected from the group consisting of (RS)-1-[4-(5-fluoro-2-methyl-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (RS)-1-[4-(3-methoxy-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (RS)-1-[4-(2-methoxy-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (RS)-5-oxo-1-[4-(3-trifluoromethoxy-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (RS)-5-oxo-1-[4-(3-trifluoromethyl-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,

- (RS)-1-[4-(3-cyano-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (RS)-1-[4-(3-fluoro-benzyloxy)-3-methyl-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (RS)-1-[4-(4-fluoro-benzyloxy)-3-methyl-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (RS)-1-[4-(3-chloro-benzyloxy)-3-methyl-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (RS)-1-[3-fluoro-4-(3-fluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (RS)-1-[2-fluoro-4-(3-fluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide, and
- (RS)-1-[2,5-difluoro-4-(3-fluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide.
- 45. (Original) A compound selected from the group consisting of
- (RS)-1-(4-benzyloxy-phenyl)-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (R)-1-[4-(3-fluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (S)-1-[4-(3-fluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (R)-1-(4-benzyloxy-phenyl)-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (S)-1-(4-benzyloxy-phenyl)-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (R)-1-[4-(4-fluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (R)-1-[4-(3-fluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (R)-1-[4-(3-chloro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide, and
- (R)-1-[4-(2,6-difluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide.

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- 46. (Original) A compound selected from the group consisting of
- (R)-5-oxo-1-[4-(2,4,6-trifluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (RS)-1-[4-(3,4-difluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidin-3-yl}-acetonitrile,
- (RS)-{1-[4-(3-fluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidin-3-yl}-acetonitrile,
- (RS)-[1-(4-benzyloxy-phenyl)-5-oxo-pyrrolidin-3-yl]-acetonitrile,
- (RS)-(E)-1-{4-[2-(3-fluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (RS)-(E)-1-{4-[2-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (RS)-(E)-1-{4-[2-(3-methoxy-phenyl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide, and
- (RS)-(E)-1-{4-[2-(4-fluoro-phenyl)-vinyl]-phenyl}-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide.
- 47. (Original) A compound selected from the group consisting of (RS)-1-{4-[2-(3-chloro-phenyl)-ethyl]-phenyl}-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (RS)-1-{4-[2-(4-chloro-phenyl)-ethyl]-phenyl}-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (RS)-1-{4-[2-(3-fluoro-phenyl)-ethyl]-phenyl}-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (RS)-1-{4-[2-(4-fluoro-phenyl)-ethyl]-phenyl}-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,
- (RS)-1-{4-[2-(3-methoxy-phenyl)-ethyl]-phenyl}-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide,

(RS)-1-[6-(4-fluoro-benzyloxy)-pyridin-3-yl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide, and

(RS)-1-[4-(2-fluoro-benzyloxy)-phenyl]-5-oxo-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid methylamide.

48. (Original) A composition comprising a compound of formula I

$$R^{1.1}$$
 $R^{1.1}$ 
 $R^{1.2}$ 
 $R^{23}$ 
 $R^{23}$ 
 $R^{23}$ 
 $R^{24}$ 
 $R^{22}$ 
 $R^{22}$ 
 $R^{23}$ 
 $R^{24}$ 
 $R^{24}$ 
 $R^{25}$ 
 $R^{25}$ 

wherein

Q is =N- or = $C(R^{24})$ -;

X-Y is -CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-, -CH=CH- or -CH<sub>2</sub>-O-;

 $R^1$ ,  $R^{1.1}$  and  $R^{1.2}$  independently from each other are selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halogen,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkyl, halogen- $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkyl, cyano,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkoxy or halogen- $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkoxy;

R<sup>21</sup>, R<sup>22</sup> and R<sup>23</sup> independently from each other are selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and halogen;

R<sup>24</sup> is hydrogen, halogen or methyl;

 $R^3$  is  $-C(O)N(H)CH_3$  or  $-CH_2CN$ ; and

R<sup>4</sup> is hydrogen;

or an individual isomer or racemic or non-racemic mixture thereof, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

49. (Original) A composition comprising a compound of formula I\*

$$R^{24}$$
 $R^{23}$ 
 $R^{24}$ 
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wherein

 $R^1$  is halogen, halogen-( $C_1$ - $C_6$ )-alkyl, cyano, ( $C_1$ - $C_6$ )-alkoxy or halogen-( $C_1$ - $C_6$ )-alkoxy;  $R^{21}$ ,  $R^{22}$ ,  $R^{23}$  and  $R^{24}$  independently from each other are selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and halogen;

R<sup>3</sup> is -CONHR<sup>5</sup>, -CH<sub>2</sub>CN or -CN;

R<sup>4</sup> is hydrogen;

R<sup>5</sup> is methyl; and

n is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

or an individual isomer or racemic or non-racemic mixture thereof, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

- 50. (Cancelled)
- 51. (Cancelled)
- 52. (Cancelled)
- 53. (Cancelled)